years subsequent to training. There are 26 stipends of that kind and they seem to be enough.

MR. S. C. MALLIAH.—Are there any trained midwives who are without employment? If so, how many?

MR. S. SUBBA RAO.—There are some such. As regards their number I want notice.

MR. GURUSWAMI GOWDA.—Unless there are a sufficient number of trained midwives, how will the department be able to give midwives to all taluks?

MR. S. SUBBA RAO.—I can give the number required if the District Boards ask for them.

Maternity Hospitals and Female Dispensaries in the State.

MRS. KAMALAMMA H. DASAPPA (Women's Interests):—

Q.—50. Will the Government be pleased to state:—

(*a*) How many Government and aided maternity hospitals and female dispensaries are there in the State?

(*b*) The places where they are found?

(*c*) How many were added within the last five years?

(*d*) How many are now working?

THE GENERAL SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT (MR. H. V. RAMASVAMI).—

A.—(*a*) There are now 26 such institutions in the State: 24 being Government and Local Fund and 2 being aided institutions.

(*b*)—

1. Vani Vilas Hospital, Bangalore.
2. Female Dispensary and Maternity, Channapatna.
3. Female Dispensary and Maternity, Anekal.
4. Maternity Hospital, Kolar Gold Fields.
5. Female Dispensary, Kolar.
6. Do Chintamani.
7. Do Chikballapur.
8. Maternity Hospital, Tumkur.
9. Do Tiptur.
10. Female Dispensary, Sira.
11. Vani Vilas Hospital, Mysore.
12. Female Dispensary, Nanjangud.
13. Do Hunsur.
14. Female Dispensary and Maternity, Hassan.
15. Female Dispensary, Saklespur.
16. Sri. Narasamma Maternity Hospital, Holenarasipur.
17. Female Dispensary, Shimoga.
18. Do Sagar.
19. Do Tirthahalli.
20. Rukminiamma Maternity Hospital, Chickmagalur.
21. Female Dispensary, Mudigere.
22. Do Tarikere.
23. Do Chitaldrug.
24. Do Davangere.
25. Redfern Memorial Hospital, Hassan.
26. Holdsworth Memorial Hospital, Mysore.

(*c*)—

1930—Two: Female Dispensary and Maternity at Tiptur.
1930—Two: Female Dispensary and Maternity at Tirthahalli.
1931—One: Female Dispensary at Koppa.
1932—One: Female Dispensary and Maternity at Anekal.
1933—Nil.
1934—Nil.

(*d*) All the above-mentioned institutions are now working.

MRS. KAMALAMMA H. DASAPPA.—Is it a fact that maternity hospitals and female dispensaries have been closed recently in the districts for want of adequate staff?

THE SENIOR SURGEON (*Sastra Vaidya Pravina* S. SUBBA RAO).—No.

MRS. KAMALAMMA H. DASAPPA.—Is there any truth in the rumour that some hospitals are closed whenever th lady medical officers in charge go on leave?

MR. S. SUBBA RAO.—No. In all such cases if some other lady doctors are not available readily, male doctors are posted to be in charge and the institutions kept going as usual.

MR. H. B. GUNDAPPA.—Are the Government aware that in the maternity hospitals and female dispensaries better facilities are called for?

MR. S. SUBBA RAO.—As funds permit, they are being provided.

SRIMATHI SAKAMMA.—Has it come to the notice of the Government that in the Vani Vilas Hospital at Bangalore there is insufficiency of staff and equipment?

MR. S. SUBBA RAO.—The hospital was transferred to the new building only 2 months back. Government have sanctioned 22 or 23 nurses and these are being appointed. It is not possible to appoint all of them together. Equipment will also have to come

slowly. In addition to the usual provision, Rs. 20,000 were sanctioned for the current year for equipment, and that amount has been fully utilised. For the next year, due to financial considerations, Government found it possible to sanction only Rs. 15,000. As grants are given, equipment will also improve.

MR. B. S. PUTTASWAMI.—The answer to question (*c*) does not include the hospital which was recently opened at Krishnarajanagar. May I know the reason for that omission?

MR. S. SUBBA RAO.—There is a clerical mistake in that respect. In fact three hospitals have been omitted in the list (1) Krishnarajanagar Female Dispensary and Maternity, (2) Kolar Mission Hospital, and (3) Mandagadde Mission Hospital, so that the total number of institutions should be 29 and not 26.

MR. T. RAMACHANDRA.—Is there any possibility of opening some more maternity homes and female dispensaries out of the Silver Jubilee Fund?

MR. S. SUBBA RAO.—It is not yet settled as to how the Silver Jubilee collections are to be utilized.

MR. GURUSWAMI GOWDA.—If private donations are forthcoming, will the department be pleased to accept them and open more hospitals?

MR. S. SUBBA RAO.—Yes, provided the local bodies concerned undertake to bear their portion of the cost.

High Schools for Girls.

Dharmaparayane SRI. ALAMMA (Women's Interests).—

Q.—52. Will the Government be pleased to state:—

(*a*) The number of girls studying in the high schools each year during the past ten years?

(*b*) Whether it is a fact that the number of such students is dwindling every year and whether Government have tried to find out the reasons for the same?

THE GENERAL SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT (MR. H. V. RAMASVAMI).—

A.—(*a*)

Year		*Strength*
1924-25	...	229
1925-26	...	257
1926-27	...	265
1927-28	...	243
1928-29	...	277
1929-30	...	328
1930-31	...	363
1931-32	...	407
1932-33	...	474
1933-34	...	472

(*b*) In the light of the above, the question does not arise.

SRI. K. D. RUKMINIAMMA.—It is seen from the answer that the number of girls studying in the high schools has increased twofold. Is that due to a corresponding increase in the number of high schools?

THE DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC INSTRUCTION (MR. N. S. SUBBA RAO).—The number of high schools also has increased from 3 to 6.

MRS. KAMALAMMA H. DASAPPA.—Does it not show that with the increase in the number of schools, women's education will increase correspondingly?

MR. N. S. SUBBA RAO.—Obviously.

REPRESENTATIONS.—(*contd.*).

REPRESENTATION No. 2.

Reduction of land assessment by 25 per cent.

MESSRS. D. Y. SIDDAPPA, Tumkur Municipality, and K. NARAYANA SETTY, Tumkur Taluk.

MR. DESADA YEJAMAN SIDDAPPA represented that as the raiyats had been put to much loss and hardship on account of failure of crops in the State, land assessment should be reduced by 25 per cent.

It was agreed that this representation be considered in connection with Resolution No. 2 on the same subject.

REPRESENTATION No. 3.

Reduction of rates of assessment in the Bangalore District.

MESSRS. VEERE GOWDA, Dodballapur Taluk; T. MADIAH GOWDA and V. VENKATAPPA, Channapatna Taluk; R. DASAPPA, Devanhalli Taluk; A. M. VENKATASAMIAH, Closepet Municipality; H. GANGAPPA, Magadi Taluk; SHROFF RANGASAMI SETTY, Magadi Municipality; S. KARIAPPA and M. LINGE GOWDA, Kankanhalli Taluk; GURUSWAMI GOWDA, Hoskote Taluk; M. B. GURULINGIAH, Closepet Taluk; S. T. MALLASETTAPPA, Nelamangala Taluk and M. S. PUTTARAMASETTI, Magadi Taluk.